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WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, desires to endorse the passage of the following bills currently pending in the Alabama House of Representatives:

HB271 Re: Historic Rehabilitation and Preservation Tax Credit

HB257 Re: Alabama New Markets Development

HB142 Re: Cultural Districts Sales Tax Exemption

WHEREAS, incorporated in 1811, the City of Huntsville, Alabama, has a rich historic, artistic, and cultural heritage which deserves to be preserved and carried on for future generations; and

WHEREAS, with the passage of time once thriving core areas in the community have been in decline; and

WHEREAS, the value of preserving the city's rich heritage and promoting the revitalization of its core areas adds to the quality of life in the community as well as its financial well being; and

WHEREAS, the citizens and businesses of this community deserve much of the praise for the current richness and vitality of Huntsville; and

WHEREAS, HB271, HB257, and HB142 recognize the value of preserving what's good, encouraging what's needed, and rewarding those who are willing to commit their resources in doing so.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, that the City Council hereby endorses the passage of the following bills currently pending in the Alabama House of Representatives:

HB271 Re: Historic Rehabilitation and Preservation Tax Credit

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk-Treasurer of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, is hereby authorized and directed to send a copy of this resolution to both houses of the Alabama Legislature, as appropriate.

ADOPTED this the 8th day of March, 2012.

President of the City Council of the City of Huntsville, Alabama

APPROVED this the 8th day of March, 2012.

Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama